

ACADEMIC COUNCIL REPORT

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TO: Academic Council

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PRESENTED BY: Lori Livingston, Provost and Vice-President, Academic
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SUBJECT: 2024-25 Tuition Fees

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT & RATIONALE:

The tuition fee framework, released by the provincial government in December 2018, regulates all publicly funded programs and allows for tuition fee differentiation based on program and program year.

The framework initially had all domestic tuition rates decrease by 10% in 2019-20, then remain frozen since. As there has not been a release of a new framework for the 2024-25 academic year, this document proposes a range for domestic fee increases from 0-5% as we await the Ministry of Colleges and Universities (MCU) 2024-25 tuition fee framework release.

The 0% rate assumes that domestic rates will remain frozen (current MCU tuition fee framework), and a 5% rate increase reflects recommendations made by the Blue Ribbon Panel to MCU. As a reminder, MCU allowed for tuition fee anomaly adjustments for three of our degree programs in 2023-24. The tuition anomaly approval allows for annual increase adjustments of up to 7.5% for these programs until we reach the fee level approved by MCU for these programs. When a new tuition fee framework is released, the University will use any flexibility, if provided, to adjust undergraduate tuition fees at that time.

The Ministry has allowed adjustments to domestic out-of-province rates and the rates proposed below are within this framework. Should the province continue the in-province tuition fee freeze and continue the up to 5% on out of province tuition fee increases, the university should adjust the proposed out-of-province fees to the maximum allowed. Currently the table reflects 5% increase allowable under the current tuition fee framework.

International tuition or cost recovery programs are not included in the limits imposed by the provincial framework.

Recommended international tuition fees for programs were informed by comparative analysis of international fees within the sector for similar programs. Tuition fees for the majority of Ontario Tech programs remain below the system average. Recommended adjustments bring Ontario Tech tuition fee levels closer to the average of competing programs. Undergraduate international fee increases have been proposed for the first year of undergraduate programs with a commitment to capping further tuition fee increases in years 2, 3 and 4 (for undergraduate programs) to no more than 5% per year.

The University is proposing 0% international tuition increase for research based Masters programs and PhD programs. A 5% increase to Professional/course-based Masters programs is being proposed.

Recognizing the need to address financial challenges of our students, the University continues to significantly invest in student financial supports by increasing the amount of entrance scholarships, in-course scholarships and bursaries available for students. For undergraduate students there has been a cumulative increase of 43% for scholarships and bursaries from 2020-21 to 2024-25. Graduate student support has increased by 59% over 2022-23. For undergraduates, the increase reflects maintaining entrance scholarships for domestic students and increasing the international entrance scholarships. On the graduate side, support for international students in research-mode programs has significantly increased year over year through GITS and/or Dean's Graduate Scholarships, Teaching Assistantships, and supervisor-funded Graduate Research Assistantships to recognize increased numbers and need.

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- Appendix 1: Recommendations for Ontario Tech 2024-25 tuition fees

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Undergraduate Domestic

Green and blue highlights reflect approved MCU Tuition Anomalies Review to increase domestic tuition by 7.5% annually until fee has reached newly approved tuition maximum (applies to BCom, BEng and BSc Computer Science). Green shading highlights the tuition paid in 2023-24 and how tuition fee anomaly increase applies to student moving into second year in 2024-25.

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
BA, BAsC, BEd, BHSc, BSc, BSc & Mgt, UG Diploma			
First Year	\$5,982.80	\$5,982.80 - \$6,281.94	0-5%
Second Year	\$5,956.38	\$5,956.38 - \$6,254.18	0-5%
Third Year	\$5,926.62	\$5,926.62 - \$6,222.94	0-5%
Fourth Year	\$5,920.76	\$5,920.76 - \$6,216.78	0-5%
Fifth Year	\$5,914.98	\$5,914.98 - \$6,210.72	0-5%
BCom			
First Year	\$8,694.90	\$9,347.00	7.5%
Second Year	\$8,049.76	\$9,347.00	7.5%
Third Year	\$8,011.44	\$8,011.44 - \$8,412.00	0-5%
Fourth Year	\$8,003.52	\$8,003.52 - \$8,403.68	0-5%
BIT			
First Year	\$9,031.18	\$9,031.18 - \$9,482.72	0-5%
Second Year	\$9,022.42	\$9,022.42 - \$9,473.54	0-5%
Third Year	\$9,013.68	\$9,013.68 - \$9,464.36	0-5%
Fourth Year	\$8,991.78	\$8,991.78 - \$9,441.36	0-5%
BEng, BEng & Mgmt			
First Year	\$10,094.44	\$10,851.52	7.5%
Second Year	\$9,381.24	\$10,851.52	7.5%
Third Year	\$9,372.30	\$9,372.30 - \$9,840.90	0-5%
Fourth Year	\$9,283.04	\$9,283.04 - \$9,747.18	0-5%
Fifth Year	\$9,159.26	\$9,159.26 - \$9,617.22	0-5%
BSc & BSc & Mgmt (Comp Sci, Integrated Math & Comp Sci)			
First Year	\$6,815.39	\$7,326.54	7.5%
Second Year	\$6,333.84	\$7,326.54	7.5%
Third Year	\$6,327.84	\$6,327.84 - \$6,644.22	0-5%
Fourth Year	\$6,321.78	\$6,321.78 - \$6,637.86	0-5%
Fifth Year	\$6,321.64	\$6,321.64 - \$6,637.72	0-5%
BScN, BHA			
First Year	\$6,100.68	\$6,100.68 - \$6,405.70	0-5%
Second Year	\$6,094.76	\$6,094.76 - \$6,399.48	0-5%
Third Year	\$6,088.84	\$6,088.84 - \$6,393.28	0-5%
Fourth Year	\$6,082.92	\$6,082.92 - \$6,387.06	0-5%

Undergraduate Out of Province

Current framework allows up to 5% increase in tuition fees for out-of-province students (or application of tuition anomaly adjustment of up to 7.5% annually). *Note: Shaded cells show how the tuition anomalies policy applies to students (green shading highlights the tuition paid in 2023-24 and how tuition fee anomaly increase applies to student moving into second year in 2024-25).*

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
BA, BAsC, BEd, BHSc, BSc, BSc & Mgt, UG Diploma			
First Year	\$6,281.94	\$6,596.02	5%
Second Year	\$6,254.18	\$6,566.88	5%
Third Year	\$6,222.94	\$6,534.08	5%
Fourth Year	\$6,216.78	\$6,527.60	5%
Fifth Year	\$6,210.72	\$6,521.24	5%
BCom			
First Year	\$8,694.90	\$9,347.00	7.5%
Second Year	\$8,452.24	\$9,347.00	7.5%
Third Year	\$8,412.00	\$8,832.60	5%
Fourth Year	\$8,403.68	\$8,823.86	5%
BIT			
First Year	\$9,482.72	\$9,956.84	5%
Second Year	\$9,473.54	\$9,947.20	5%
Third Year	\$9,464.36	\$9,937.56	5%
Fourth Year	\$9,441.36	\$9,913.42	5%
BEng, BEng & Mgmt			
First Year	\$10,094.44	\$10,851.52	7.5%
Second Year	\$9,850.30	\$10,851.52	7.5%
Third Year	\$9,840.90	\$10,332.94	5%
Fourth Year	\$9,747.18	\$10,234.52	5%
Fifth Year	\$9,617.22	\$10,098.08	5%
BSc & BSc & Mgmt (Comp Sci, Integrated Math & Comp Sci)			
First Year	\$6,815.39	\$7,326.54	7.5%
Second Year	\$6,650.52	\$7,326.54	7.5%
Third Year	\$6,644.22	\$6,976.42	5%
Fourth Year	\$6,637.86	\$6,969.74	5%
Fifth Year	\$6,637.72	\$6,969.60	5%
BScN, BHA			
First Year	\$6,405.70	\$6,725.98	5%
Second Year	\$6,399.48	\$6,719.44	5%
Third Year	\$6,393.28	\$6,712.94	5%
Fourth Year	\$6,387.06	\$6,706.40	5%

Undergraduate International

Note: Shaded cells show how the tuition increases applies to international students (green shading highlights the tuition paid in 2023-24 and how tuition fee anomaly increase applies to student moving into second year in 2024-25, purple shading highlights students moving from second year in 2023-24 to third year in 2024-25 etc.).

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase **
BA, BAsC, BEd, BHSc, BSc & Mgt			
First Year	\$30,655.26	\$32,188.02	5%
Second Year	\$30,655.26	\$32,188.02	5%
Third Year	\$29,261.86	\$32,188.02	5%
Fourth Year	\$25,450.20	\$26,722.70	5%
Fifth Year	\$25,337.96	\$26,604.84	5%
BCom			
First Year	\$34,003.02	\$35,703.16	5%
Second Year	\$34,003.02	\$35,703.16	5%
Third Year	\$32,457.42	\$35,703.16	5%
Fourth Year	\$28,229.54	\$34,080.28	5%
BIT			
First Year	\$37,111.72	\$38,967.30	5%
Second Year	\$37,111.72	\$38,967.30	5%
Third Year	\$33,884.60	\$38,967.30	5%
Fourth Year	\$29,470.84	\$35,578.82	5%
BEng, BEng & Mgmt			
First Year	\$41,798.60	\$43,888.52	5%
Second Year	\$41,798.60	\$43,888.52	5%
Third Year	\$38,163.94	\$43,888.52	5%
Fourth Year	\$33,192.74	\$40,072.12	5%
Fifth Year	\$33,161.14	\$34,852.36	5%
BSc & BSc & Mgmt (Comp Sci, Integrated Math & Comp Sci)			
First Year	\$33,961.68	\$35,659.76	5%
Second Year	\$33,961.68	\$35,659.76	5%
Third Year	\$31,008.48	\$35,659.76	5%
Fourth Year	\$26,969.34	\$32,558.90	5%
Fifth Year	\$26,943.64	\$28,317.80	5%
BScN, BHA			
First Year	\$31,259.30	\$32,822.26	5%
Second Year	\$31,259.30	\$32,822.26	5%
Third Year	\$29,838.42	\$32,822.26	5%
Fourth Year	\$25,951.70	\$31,330.34	5%

**Commitment to cap future tuition fee increases to no more than a 5% increase per year for international students.

Graduate Domestic

Program Based Tuition

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
Graduate Degree - Research Based Programs			
MA (Crim, SPI), MHSc, MSc	\$7,579.30	\$7,579.30	0%
MSc (Computer Science)	\$7,579.30	\$7,579.30	0%
MASc	\$7,859.94	\$7,859.94	0%
PhD	\$7,579.30	\$7,579.30	0%
Graduate Degree – Course Based Programs			
MEng, MEngM	\$8,859.94	\$8,859.94 - \$9,302.92	0-5%
MScN	\$8,761.50	\$8,761.50 - \$9,199.56	0-5%
EdD	\$10,097.00	\$10,097.00 - \$10,601.84	0-5%
Graduate Diploma			
Diploma in Accounting	\$8,933.60	\$9,380.28	5%
Diploma in Nuclear Technology	\$5,906.62	\$5,906.62 - \$6,201.94	0-5%
Diploma in Nuclear Design Engineering	\$5,906.62	\$5,906.62 - \$6,201.94	0-5%
Diploma in Engineering Management	\$5,906.62	\$5,906.62 - \$6,201.94	0-5%

Credit Based Tuition (per 3-credit course)

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
Graduate Degree (Per 3-credit course)			
MEd ^{***}	\$1,576.47	\$1,576.47 - \$1,655.28	0-5%
MA in Education ^{***}	\$1,576.47	\$1,576.47 - \$1,655.28	0-5%
MITS ^{***}	\$1,257.52	\$1,257.52 - \$1,320.38	0-5%
MBAI, MFDA ^{***}	\$2,709.00	\$2,709.00 - \$2,844.44	0-5%
Graduate Diploma (Per 3-credit Course)			
Diploma in Ed & Digital Technology	\$1,576.46	\$1,576.46 - \$1,655.28	0-5%
Police Leadership	\$1,576.46	\$1,576.46 - \$1,655.28	0-5%
Work Disability Prevention	\$1,576.46	\$1,576.46 - \$1,655.28	0-5%

^{***}Program requires 30 credits hours total.

Graduate International

Program Based Tuition

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
Graduate Degree – Research Based Programs			
MA (Crim, SPI), MHSc, MSc	\$20,124.30	\$20,124.30	0%
MSc (Computer Science)	\$20,124.30	\$20,124.30	0%
MASc	\$22,313.12	\$22,313.12	0%
PhD	\$19,166.00	\$19,166.00	0%
Graduate Degree – Course Based Programs			
MEng & MEngM	\$30,408.66	\$31,929.08	5%
MScN	\$24,398.66	\$25,618.58	5%
EdD	\$18,243.21	\$19,155.36	5%
Graduate Diploma			
Diploma in Accounting	\$14,038.54	\$14,704.47	5%
Diploma in Nuclear Technology	\$20,272.44	\$21,286.06	5%
Diploma in Nuclear Design Engineering	\$20,272.44	\$21,286.06	5%
Diploma in Engineering Management	\$20,272.44	\$21,286.06	5%

Credit Based Tuition (per 3-credit course)

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
Graduate Degree (Per 3-credit course)			
MEd***	\$2,732.62	\$2,869.24	5%
MA in Education***	\$2,732.62	\$2,869.24	5%
MITs***	\$4,176.26	\$4,385.06	5%
MBAI, MFDA***	\$4,725.00	\$4,961.25	5%
Graduate Diploma (Per 3-credit Course)			
Diploma in Ed & Digital Technology	\$2,732.62	\$2,869.24	5%
Police Leadership	\$2,732.62	\$2,869.24	5%
Work Disability Prevention	\$2,732.62	\$2,869.24	5%

***Program requires 30 credits hours total.

English for Academic Purposes (EAP) Program

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-25 Increase
All Levels	\$3,041.29	\$3,041.29 - \$3,193.34	0-5%